

Memorandum

To: Mayor Maso and City Council Members
From: George Purefoy
Subject: Collin College Parking Garage
Date: January 14, 2011

Attached please find a letter from Dr. Cary Israel concerning the proposed parking garage at the Preston Ridge campus of Collin College. As you will recall, several citizens appeared before the city council recently concerned about the parking garage and its potential negative effects on their homes/property.

Mayor Maso and I met with Dr. Israel and Mr. Mac Hendricks, Vice Chairman of the Collin College Board of Directors. We discussed possible options to the garage. The letter from Dr. Israel presents some of the possible options we discussed and potential costs to the city.

Option 1 is to keep the parking garage in the same location as originally proposed and supplements the project with additional screening material at a suggested cost of \$160,000 to the city.

Option 2 is to move the garage approximately 250 feet to an existing parking lot immediately south of the location originally shown for the garage. The college estimates the additional cost to move the garage and to add parking spaces to make up for the existing parking lot being taken away and for the missed opportunity of using the space for a building in the future to be \$4.1 million which is the amount requested from the city to pursue this option.

Option 3 is to demolish the velodrome at city expense and to use the property (which is owned by the college) to build the parking garage.

A meeting with the residents and representatives from the college was held on November 8, 2010. A summary of the meeting is attached to this memo. Mayor Maso and John Lettelleir met with the residents on November 29, 2010 notes from that meeting are attached as well.

Comments concerning the three options presented above: Option 3 doesn't seem to be a reasonable solution since a multi-million dollar facility would need to be demolished and its use eliminated; and Option 2 doesn't seem to be a solution since it will cost the city in excess of \$4 million to move the garage approximately 250 feet to the south.